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IMPLEMENTING VIRTUALIZATION OF  
STORAGE WITHIN A STORAGE AREA  
NETWORK THROUGH A VIRTUAL ENCLOSURE

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